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### **Library of Virginia partners with Can Can Brasserie to open a downtown cafe**

**RICHMOND, VIRGINIA** - A partnership between the Library of Virginia and a popular, longtime Carytown restaurant will bring a convenient breakfast and lunch option to the heart of downtown. Can Can Brasserie, a Parisian-style bistro and bakery, will open the Can Can Café in the Library's lobby on Monday, Sept. 19, 2022.

"We are thrilled to help bring one of the city's best-loved restaurants to downtown Richmond," said Scott Dodson, executive director of the Library of Virginia Foundation. "Paul and John Kincaid and their team at Can Can are excellent partners. We cannot wait for our patrons and the downtown community to enjoy their amazing food in the Library as we head into our 200th anniversary year."

Can Can Café will be open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with indoor and outdoor seating. Breakfast will include fresh-baked pastries and lunch will feature soup, salad and sandwiches, as well as to-go pastries, desserts and other items. Can Can's signature coffee service will be available throughout the day.

"Since we began the difficult road of opening post-Covid, people have been asking us about our previous morning coffee service," said Paul Kincaid, co-owner. "Countless people missed a beautiful location, quick coffee and pastries, and a chance to get out of the office and have a quick meeting. Opening Can Can Café in the Library of Virginia, we're happy to be able to offer all of those things!"

Co-owner John Kincaid added, "With its spacious and beautiful interior, we're excited to serve morning coffee, along with an assortment of sandwiches and salads for lunch, in a convenient location for so many folks in the downtown area."

Limited free parking for Can Can Café is available on Level B1 of the Library's parking garage accessed via entrances on 8th and 9th Streets. For more information on the café, visit [www.cancanrva.com](http://www.cancanrva.com).

#### **About Can Can Brasserie**

Can Can is a French brasserie and bakery in Cary Court Shopping Center. Situated in the eastern wing of Richmond's oldest operating shopping center, Can Can was constructed to look and feel as if it has been lifted from the left bank of Paris (circa 1900) and dropped into the heart of Carytown. The idea for the restaurant derives from the classic notions of brasserie, which originally indicated an establishment that served beer, but grew to reflect grand café restaurants specializing in traditionally inspired French foods that can be cooked quickly.

**About the Library of Virginia**

The Library of Virginia is one of the oldest agencies of Virginia government, founded in 1823 to preserve and provide access to the state's incomparable printed and manuscript holdings. Its collection, which has grown steadily through the years, is the most comprehensive resource in the world for the study of Virginia history, culture, and government with over 130 million items in the collections. The Library also engages the public through in-person and virtual events, education programs, and online resources that reach nearly 4 million individuals each year throughout the commonwealth and beyond. The Library of Virginia is located near Capitol Square in downtown Richmond at 800 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219. Learn more at [www.lva.virginia.gov](http://www.lva.virginia.gov).

**About the Library of Virginia Foundation**

Founded in 1984, the Library of Virginia Foundation supports the Library of Virginia and its mission by raising private financial support, managing its endowment, and overseeing programming that brings Virginia's history and culture to life.

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